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SUBJECT: ASSISTANCE FOR IMMIGRANTS TO ISRAEL

REF: TEL AVIV 2561

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF PRESS RELEASE TO BE ISSUED BY
DEPARTMENT AT 9 A. M. FRIDAY, APRIL 6.

BEGIN TEXT. A CONTRACT PROVIDING DOLLARS 31 MILLION TO
ASSIST SOVIET JEWS MIGRATING TO ISRAEL WILL BE SIGNED
TODAY (APRIL 6) BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND UNITED
ISRAEL APPEAL (UIA), AN ACCREDITED AMERICAN VOLUNTARY
AGENCY.

THE SIGNING WILL TAKE PLACE AT 11 A. M. IN THE
THOMAS JEFFERSON ROOM (8 TH FLOOR). FRANK L. KELLOGG,
SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE SECRETARY FOR REFUGEE AND
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MIGRATION AFFAIRS, WILL SIGN FOR THE DEPARTMENT.
MELVIN DUBINSKY OF ST. LOUIS, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF
DIRECTORS, AND GOTTLIEB HAMMER OF NEW YORK, EXECUTIVE
VICE CHAIRMAN, WILL SIGN FOR UIA.

THE CONTRACT REPRESENTS THE DEPARTMENT'S FIRST
EXPENDITURE FROM DOLLARS 50 MILLION APPROPRIATED BY THE
CONGRESS TO AID IN THE RESETTLEMENT OF EMIGRANTS FROM THE
SOVIET UNION. TO BE SIGNED AT THE SAME TIME ARE AGREEMENTS
IN WHICH UIA DESIGNATES THE JEWISH AGENCY FOR
ISRAEL (JAI) TO ACT AS AUTHORIZED AGENT IN EXPENDITURE OF
THE FUNDS. MAX M. FISHER OF DETROIT, CHAIRMAN OF THE

BOARD OF GOVERNORS, WILL SIGN THESE AGREEMENTS FOR THE
JEWISH AGENCY.

THE CONTRACT PROVIDES THAT FUNDS WILL BE USED FOR
CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF MIGRANTS DURING TRANSIT TO
ISRAEL, FOR EXPANSION OF A TRANSIT CENTER IN AUSTRIA, FOR
ABSORPTION CENTERS IN ISRAEL TO RECEIVE THE IMMIGRANTS,
FOR A HOSPITAL WING FOR MIGRANTS, FOR HOUSING, FOR
LANGUAGE TRAINING OR RETRAINING.

OTHER ANTICIPATED EXPENDITURES FROM THE APPROPRIATION
DURING FISCAL YEAR 1973 WILL BE DOLLARS 2 MILLION TO THE
INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE FOR EUROPEAN MIGRATION (ICEM)
TO COVER LOANS FOR AIR CHARTER FARE FOR THE MIGRANTS FROM
AUSTRIA TO ISRAEL, AND DOLLARS 500,000 FOR ASSISTANCE TO
SOVIET MIGRANTS TO COUNTRIES OTHER THAN ISRAEL. THE
DEPARTMENT PRESENTLY IS NEGOTIATING FOR EXPENDITURE OF THE
REMAINING DOLLARS 16.5 MILLION DURING FISCAL YEAR 1974.

END TEXT.

2. SIGNING WILL BE OPEN TO PRESS, INCLUDING PHOTOGRAPHERS. ISRAELI CORRESPONDENTS EXPECTED TO COVER. RUSH

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